As a technology director in a low funded district, I can attest to the importance of e-rate funding to our educational mission. It is vital to affording the necessary network connections to bring students collaboaritive working opportunities and global connections. In particular, our poorer students struggle to remain connected when they leave the school and would like to see eligibility extended to helping these students when they leave our buildings. Also, with the importance of early college opportunities, including community colleges for eligibility would allow K-12 districts to forge collaborative support agreements that would make the transitions between high school and college seamless.